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Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL - UTILITY**

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a utility patent application:

**Inventor:** Alexander M. McQUEEN

**Title:** METHOD AND APPARATUS TO PREVENT REPORTING MULTIPLE READS  
OF OPTICAL CODED ITEMS

**I. PAPERS ENCLOSED HEREWITH FOR FILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b):**

9 Pages of Written Description  
3 Pages of Claims  
1 Page of Abstract  
5 Sheets of Drawings (informal)

**II. ADDITIONAL PAPERS ENCLOSED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS FILING:**

☒ Declaration (copy from prior application Ser. No. 09/905,042)  
☒ Application Data Sheet  
☒ Preliminary Amendment  
☒ Transmittal of Formal Drawings and 6 sheets formal drawings  
☒ Return receipt postcard

**III. PRIORITY**

This is a ☒ continuation, ☐ divisional, ☐ continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application Ser. No. 09/905,042, filed July 12, 2001.

Prior application information: Examiner: Daniel A. Hess, Group Art Unit 2876.

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied herein, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re the Application of:**

## Alexander M. McQueen

**Serial No.:**

**Filed: Concurrently Herewith**

**For: METHOD AND APPARATUS TO PREVENT REPORTING MULTIPLE READS OF OPTICAL CODED ITEMS**

### Group Art Unit:

**Examiner:** Not Yet Assigned

## TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

**Attention: Official Draftsperson  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-referenced application are the formal drawings (6 sheets). It is noted that the amendments to the drawings in the preliminary amendment filed herewith are included in these formal drawings.

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